

ABSTRACT

A projection optical system projects an image of a first surface onto a second surface, and has a lens component formed of fluorite and a lens component formed of silica, and further includes: a first lens group including at least one lens component formed of fluorite and having a positive refractive power; a second lens group which is arranged in an optical path between the first lens group and the second surface and which has a negative refractive power; and a third lens group which is arranged in an optical path between the second lens group and the second surface and having a positive refractive power; wherein when the number of the lens components formed of silica is S_{num} , the number of the lens components formed of fluorite is C_{num} , and a numerical aperture of the second surface side of the projection optical system is NA , the following conditions are satisfied:

$$S_{num} > C_{num} \quad (1)$$

$$NA > 0.75 \quad (2).$$

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